Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont Community School District Special Board Meeting Minutes December 2, 2024

The Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont Community School District Board of Directors met at the District Office on Monday, December 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. for a special board meeting.

Visitors in Attendance: Pat McReynolds, Rian Leedom, Andrew Upah, Bri Batterson, Lisa Strunk, Regan More, Emily Bunch, and others not signed in.

Call to Order:

President Houk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call: Ed Glenn, present; Eric Klyn, present; Micah Van Mersbergen, present; Tom Judy, present; Tyrone Lobberecht, present; and Curt Houk, present. Quorum established.

Presentations:

Rian Leedom spoke to the board about grants and other resources available to support daycare operations.

Emily Burch presented the daycare committee's PowerPoint, highlighting the financial outlook with proposed increased rates, higher enrollment, and potential donations.

Approve Agenda:

Glenn moved, and Lobberecht seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Appoint Director District 1 Vacancy Replacement:

The board considered two applicants for the open District 1 director seat: Brianne Batterson and Levi Roach. Judy moved, and Lobberecht seconded, to vote by ballot. Batterson received five votes, and Roach received one. Batterson was appointed as the District 1 director, and the oath of office was administered.

Board Policy:

Van Mersbergen moved, and Glenn seconded, to approve the first reading of *Open Enrollment Transfers - Procedures as Receiving District-514*. Motion carried unanimously. Glenn moved, and Klyn seconded, to approve the second reading of *Long-Range Needs Assessment-113* and *Anti-Bullying Forms 529A, 529B, and 529C*. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Judy moved, and Lobberecht seconded, to approve the following hires:

Amie Adams and Tammy Walker, Eddyville Elementary After-School Tutors, Heather Freed, Blakesburg Elementary After-School Tutor, Avery Roorda, Jr./Sr. High School ELA Teacher (pending licensure), Kacey Beinhart, Jr./Sr. High School ELA Teacher (pending licensure). Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items:

President Houk initiated an informal discussion on daycare options and with no objections the board deliberated three possibilities:

- 1. Maintaining current daycare operations.
- 2. Partnering with a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization for management.
- 3. Discontinuing daycare operations.

Board members unanimously agreed they do not want to see the daycare close. As no motion was made to remove the action item from the table, it remains tabled from the November 18, 2024 meeting.

Adjournment:

Judy moved, and Van Mersbergen seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Curt Houk

Board President

Mary McCrea
Board Secretary